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H. CON. RES. 35

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 17, 1955

Mr. GORDON submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Rules

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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1   *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*

2   *concurring),* That there is hereby established a Joint Com-

3   mittee on Intelligence Matters to be composed of nine

4   Members of the Senate to be appointed by the President of

5   the Senate, and nine Members of the House of Representa-

6   tives to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Repre-

7   sentatives. In each instance not more than five Members

8   shall be members of the same political party.

9   SEC. 2. The joint committee shall make continuing

10   studies of the intelligence activities and problems relating to

11   the gathering of intelligence affecting the national security

12   and of its coordination and utilization by the various depart-

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1 ments, agencies, and instrumentalities of the Government.

2 The Central Intelligence Agency and related intelligence

3 services shall keep the joint committee fully and currently

4 informed with respect to their activities. All bills, resolutions,

5 and other matters in the Senate or the House of Repre-

6 sentatives relating primarily to the Central Intelligence

7 Agency and related intelligence services shall be referred

8 to the joint committee. The members of the joint commit-

9 tee who are Members of the Senate shall from time to time

10 report to the Senate, and the members of the joint commit-

11 tee who are Members of the House of Representatives shall

12 from time to time report to the House, by bill or otherwise,

13 their recommendations with respect to matters within the

14 jurisdiction of their respective Houses which are (1) re-

15 ferred to the joint committee or (2) otherwise within the

16 jurisdiction of the joint committee.

17 SEC. 3. Vacancies in the membership of the joint com-

18 mittee shall not affect the power of the remaining members

19 to execute the functions of the joint committee, and shall

20 be filled in the same manner as in the case of the original

21 selection. The joint committee shall select a chairman and

22 a vice chairman from among its members.

23 SEC. 4. The joint committee, or any duly authorized

24 subcommittee thereof is authorized to hold such hearings,

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1 to sit and act at such places and times, to require, by sub-

2 pena or otherwise, the attendance of such witnesses and the

3 production of such books, papers, and documents, to ad-

4 minister such oaths, to take such testimony, to procure such

5 printing and binding, and to make such expenditures as it

6 deems advisable. The cost of stenographic services to report

7 such hearings shall not be in excess of 25 cents per hundred

8 words.

9   SEC. 5. The joint committee is empowered to appoint

10 such experts, consultants, technicians, and clerical and sten-

11 ographic assistants as it deems necessary and advisable. The

12 committee is authorized to utilize the services, information,

13 facilities, and personnel of the departments and establish-

14 ments of the Government.

15   SEC. 6. The expenses of the joint committee, which shall

16 not exceed $ per year, shall be paid one-half from

17 the contingent fund of the Senate and one-half from the con-

18 tingent fund of the House of Representatives upon vouchers

19 signed by the chairman. Disbursements to pay such ex-

20 penses shall be made by the Secretary of the Senate out

21 of the contingent fund of the Senate, such contingent fund

22 to be reimbursed from the contingent fund of the House

23 of Representatives in the amount of one-half of the disburse-

24 ment so made.

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